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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Prebren LEXOW entitled "SEQUENCING METHOD USING MAGNIFYING TAGS"

Our Ref: **Q-76325**

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/886,223 (Confirmation No. 5566) filed June 22, 2001, of Preben LEXOW entitled "SEQUENCING METHOD USING MAGNIFYING TAGS".

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and Abstract, 36 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney (as filed in the prior application).

A Preliminary Amendment and Statement in Support of Submission (accompanied by the Sequence Listing) is being filed simultaneously herewith.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1634.

Priority is claimed from:

| Country | Application No | Filing Date | |
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| NORWAY | NO 19996339 | September 10, 1999 | |
| NORWAY | NO 19996338 | August 26, 1999 | |
| NORWAY | NO 19996337 | June 15, 1999 | |
| NORWAY | NO 19996336 | June 11, 1999 | |
| NORWAY | NO 19996335 | April 19, 1999 | |
| NORWAY | NO 19996334 | April 16, 1999 | |
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| NORWAY | NO 19996331 | March 19, 1999 | |
| NORWAY | NO 19996330 | February 26, 1999 | |
| NORWAY | NO 19996133 | December 23, 1998 | |

The priority documents will be submitted at a later date.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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